

**REGIONAL LATIN FORUM 2012  
CERTAMEN LEVEL I  
ROUND I**

TU1. What Latin abbreviation would be used when someone says something by mistake, a slip of the tongue?

Answer: **LAPSUS LINGVAE**

B1: What is the Latin for a written mistake, or slip of the pen?

Answer: **LAPSUS CALAMI**

B2: If an editor crossed something out, but then decided to keep it in, what Latin word would he use?

Answer: **STET**

TU2. Make the phrase *bona nox* genitive singular.

Answer: **BONAE NOCTIS**

B1: Change *bonae noctis* to the ablative case.

Answer: **BONA NOCTE**

B2: Change *bona nocte* to the plural.

Answer: **BONIS NOCTIBUS**

TU3. What famous orator and co-consul of Gaius Antonius Hybrida delivered a series of speeches in 63 BC to suppress a planned conspiracy against the Roman government?

Answer: **MARCUS TULLIUS CICERO**

B1. Whose conspiracy did he suppress?

Answer: **CATALINE ('S)**

B2. What title was Cicero awarded by the Senate for suppressing the Catiline Conspiracy?

Answer: **PATER PATRIAE**

TU4. What do the following prepositions have in common: *sine, ab, pro, de*?

Answer: **ALL TAKE THE ABLATIVE CASE**

B1: Give two prepositions that take either the Ablative or Accusative case.

Answer: **IN, SUB, SUPER**

B2: Translate the prepositional phrase “across the table”.

Answer: **TRANS MENSAM**

TU5. What mythological trio was charged with punishing those who killed family members?

Answer: **THE ERINYES/FURIES**

B1: For your first bonus name one of the Furies.

Answer: **EITHER ALECTO, TISIPHONE, OR MEGAERA**

B2: For your second bonus, name another.

Answer: **(SEE ABOVE)**

TU6. What was the dressing room in the baths called?

Answer: **APODYTERIUM**

B1: What was the cold plunge room called?

Answer: **FRIGIDARIUM**

B2: What did Romans call the scrapers which were used to take oil and dirt off?

Answer: **STRIGILES**

TU7. Distinguish in meaning between *dico* and *doceo*.

Answer: **DICO – TO SAY; DOCEO – TO TEACH**

B1: Distinguish in meaning between *voco* and *vivo*.

Answer: **VOCO – TO CALL; VIVO – TO LIVE**

B2: Distinguish in meaning between *novus* and *notus*.

Answer: **NOVUS – NEW; NOTUS – WELL-KNOWN, FAMOUS**

TU8. What Trojan hero led the Dardanian troops in the Trojan War but was convinced to abandon Troy and set out for a new kingdom by his mother Venus?

Answer: **AENEAS**

B1: Many famous depictions of Aeneas escaping Troy show him carrying an old man on his back and leading a young boy by the hand. For your first bonus, who was the old man?

Answer: **ANCHISES (PROMPT ON AENEAS' FATHER)**

B2: For your second bonus, name the young boy.

Answer: **ASCANIUS/IULUS**

TU9. Which emperor received the agnomen "Pius" for his insistence on having his predecessor Hadrian deified by the Roman Senate?

Answer: **ANTONINUS PIUS**

B1. Who was Antoninus Pius' successor and son-in-law?

Answer: **MARCUS AURELIUS**

B2. To which school of philosophy was Marcus Aurelius a strict adherent, even writing his own works on the topic?

Answer: **STOICISM**

TU10. What derivative of *pono*, *ponere* means "to put off until a later time"?

Answer: **POSTPONE**

B1: What derivative of *cras* means "to delay until tomorrow or another later time"?

Answer: **PROCRASTINATE**

B2: What derivative of *longus*, *-a*, *-um* means "to lengthen in time"?

Answer: **PROLONG**

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**ROUND 2**

TU1. Which emperor as part of his reforms split the Roman Empire amongst 4 rulers, a division known as the tetrarchy?

Answer: **DIOCLETIAN**

B1. After Diocletian, however, the tetrarchy struggled to maintain stability as rival claimants kept fighting for the position, eventually the Empire once again found itself under one emperor who ruled from 307 to 337 AD. Who was this ruler?

Answer: **CONSTANTINE (THE FIRST)**

B2. But the Empire failed to remain unified and eventually split into the Eastern and Western Roman Empire. In what year did the Western Roman Empire collapse?

Answer: **476 AD**

TU2. From what Latin word with what meaning do we derive the word “imbibe”?

Answer: **BIBO (BIBERE, BIBI, BIBITUM)—TO DRINK**

B1: What derivative of *bibo* means “a piece of cloth or plastic worn, especially by babies, to protect their clothes while eating”?

Answer: **BIB**

B2: What derivative of *bibo* means “any drink, usually one other than water”?

Answer: **BEVERAGE**

TU3. What was the name for the steps a politician took to become consul?

Answer: **CURSUS HONORUM**

B1 and 2: Name the first 2 steps of the *Cursus Honorum*.

Answer: **QUAESTOR, PRAETOR**

TU4. What hero, originally named Ligyron, was either anointed with ambrosia or dipped in the river Styx by his mother, Thetis, so that he would become immortal?

Answer: **ACHILLES**

B1: Unfortunately, Thetis left one part of Achilles’ body vulnerable... what body part was this?

Answer: **THE ANKLE**

B2: Who was Achilles’ mortal father?

Answer: **PELEUS**

TU5. How would one say the number “twelve” in Latin?

Answer: **DUODECIM**

B1: How about the number “eighteen”?

Answer: **DUODEVIGINTI**

B2: Finally, what is the Latin word for the number “one thousand”?

Answer: **MILLE**

TU6. For the sentence, “The servants led the boys to the forest” translate “boys”.

Answer: ***PUEROS***

B1: For the same sentence, translate “to the forest”.

Answer: ***AD SILVAM***

B2: Now translate the entire sentence, “The servants led the boys to the forest”.

Answer: ***SERVI PUEROS AD SILVAM DUCERENT / DUXERUNT***

TU7. Give the Latin and English of the motto of the US Coast Guard.

Answer: ***SEMPER PARATUS, ALWAYS PREPARED***

B1: Give the Latin and English for the motto of the Marines.

Answer: ***SEMPER FIDELIS, ALWAYS FAITHFUL***

B2: Name ONE state Latin motto also has the word *semper* in it and give the Latin?

Answer: ***VIRGINIA, SIC SEMPER TYRANNIS;*** or ***WEST VIRGINIA, MONTANI SIMPER LIBERI***

TU8. Which king of Rome divided the citizens into classes based on wealth, established the cult of Diana at Rome, and conducted the first census?

Answer: ***SERVIUS TULLIUS***

B1. What omen showed that Servius Tullius was bound for greatness?

Answer: ***HIS HEAD CAUGHT FIRE BUT DID NOT BURN***

B2. Some legends have it that Servius Tullius was actually an Etruscan. What was his supposed Etruscan name?

Answer: ***MASTARNA***

TU9. Which word does not belong by derivation? Demonstrate, monster, admonish, monitor.

Answer: DEMONSTRATE

B1: From **what** Latin word with what meaning do we derive “demonstrate”?

Answer: ***MONSTRO (MONSTRARE, MONSTRAVI, MONSTRATUM)—TO SHOW***

B2: From what Latin word with what meaning do we derive “monster”, “admonish”, and “monitor”?

Answer: ***MONEO (MONERE, MONUI, MONITUM)—TO WARN***

TU10. Name any THREE of the Muses.

Answer: ***CALLIOPE, CLIO, ERATO, EURTERPE, MELPOMENE, POLYHYMNIA, TERPSICHORE, THALEIA, URANIA.***

B1. Name any ONE of the Graces.

Answer: ***AGLAIA, EUPHROSYNE, THALIA***

B2. Name any TWO of the Fates.

Answer: ***CLOTHO, LACHESIS, ATROPOS***

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**ROUND 3**

TU1. Give the meaning of the Latin word *solus*.

Answer: **ALONE**

B1: Give the meaning of the Latin word *brevis*.

Answer: **SHORT**

B2: Give the meaning of the Latin word *satis*.

Answer: **ENOUGH**

TU2. What unfortunate hunter, a member of the royal house of Thebes, came upon Artemis bathing on Mt. Cithaeron?

Answer: **ACTAEON**

B1: What did Artemis do when she discovered Actaeon watching her?

Answer: **SHE TRANSFORMED HIM INTO A DEER AND HAD HIS OWN HUNTING DOGS RIP HIM APART**

B2: What famous centaur had been the teacher of Actaeon?

Answer: **CHEIRON**

TU3. For the verb *do*, give the 2<sup>nd</sup> person plural imperfect active indicative.

Answer: **DABATIS**

B1: Make *dabatis* perfect.

Answer: **DEDISTIS**

B2: Make *dedistis* pluperfect.

Answer: **DEDERATIS**

TU4. What derivative of “*video, videre, vidi, visum*” means “one who comes to stay with people or in a particular place”?

Answer: **VISITOR**

B1: What derivative of “*video*” means “a person of unusually keen foresight”?

Answer: **VISIONARY**

B2: What derivative of “*video*” means “to perform or deliver without previous preparation”?

Answer: **IMPROVISE**

TU5. At what battle in 197 BC did Titus Quinctius Flaminius decisively defeat the forces of the Macedonian ruler Philip V, thus ending the Second Macedonian War?

Answer: **BATTLE OF CYNOSCEPHALAE**

B1. Who succeeded Philip V as the ruler of Macedon and Rome's antagonist in the Third Macedonian War?

Answer: **PERSEUS**

B2. At what battle in 168 BC was Perseus defeated by the forces of Lucius Aemilius Paullus?

Answer: **PYDNA**

TU6. If a prescription has the letters **gtt.** on it, how will you take the medicine?

Answer: **DROPS**

B1: If the prescription says **prn**, how will you take the medicine?

Answer: **AS NEEDED**

B2: If it says **p.o.** how will you take it?

Answer: **BY MOUTH**

TU7. What famous heroes, the twin sons of Zeus and Leda, fought in the Calydonian boar hunt and sailed with the Argonauts?

Answer: **THE DIOSCOURI/CASTOR AND POLLUX**

B1: What was the special talent of Pollux?

Answer: **BOXING**

B2: As what celestial phenomenon did the Dioscouri appear?

Answer: **ST. ELMO'S FIRE/THE CONSTELLATION GEMINI**

TU8. Give the genitive plural for the phrase *magna dea*.

Answer: **MAGNARUM DEARUM**

B1: Change *magnarum dearum* to the Ablative.

Answer: **MAGNIS DEABUS**

B2: Give the same form for the phrase *fortis filia*,

Answer: **FORTIBUS FILIABUS**

TU9. How many tribunes were elected yearly?

Answer: **10**

B1: From what class of people are tribunes elected?

Answer: **PLEBS/PLEBEIANS**

B2: What power do tribunes have over the senate?

Answer: **VETO**

TU10. Of the four emperors of 69 AD, whose rule was the shortest?

Answer: **OTHO ('S)**

B1: Who was Otho's predecessor?

Answer: **GALBA**

B2: Who were the other two emperors in the year 69 AD?

Answer: **VITELLIUS AND VESPASIAN**

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CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND**

TU1. In terms of meaning, to what category do all the following Latin nouns belong: *felis, asinus, apis, rana, avis*?

Answer: THEY ARE ALL ANIMALS.

B1: In terms of meaning, what category can all of the following adjectives describe: *trepidus, maestus, timidus, miser, laetus*.

Answer: THEY ALL DESCRIBE MOOD.

B2: In terms of meaning, to what category do all the following Latin nouns belong: *socer, avus, gener, frater, filius*.

Answer: THEY ALL DESCRIBE FAMILY MEMBERS/FAMILIAL RELATIONS

TU2. If a Roman legionary wanted to attack an enemy from far away, he would throw his javelin. What would he call it in Latin?

Answer: **PILUM**

B1: What is the Latin term for the item a Roman would use to fend off sword blows from his enemy?

Answer: **SCUTUM**

B2: A Roman would jab, not slice with his sword. What was the Roman sword called?

Answer: **GLADIUS**

TU3. Which of the following does not belong by derivation: appease, payment, parade, pacify?

Answer: **PARADE**

B1: Give the principal parts and meaning from which parade is derived.

Answer: **PARO, PARARE, PARAVI, PARATUM: TO PREPARE**

B2: From what Latin word with what meaning are all the other words in the toss-up derived?

Answer: **PAX--PEACE**

TU4. Who was the son of Germanicus and 3rd Julio-Claudian emperor whose more famous actions include making claims of divinity, creating 2 large pleasure boats for himself on Lake Nemi, and making his horse a senator?

Answer: **CALIGULA**

B1. Who was Caligula's uncle who succeeded him as emperor?

Answer: **CLAUDIUS**

B2. What was the name of Claudius' niece and final wife?

Answer: **AGRIPPINA THE YOUNGER**

TU5. What Trojan priestess, loved by Apollo, spurned the God's advances, causing him to curse her so that no one would ever believe her predictions?

Answer: **CASSANDRA**

B1: Who were the parents of Cassandra?

Answer: **PRIAM AND HECUBA**

B2. What Greek hero took Cassandra away from Troy as his slave?

Answer: **AGAMEMNON**

TU6. Distinguish in meaning between *suus* and *stultus*.

Answer: **SUUS – HIS/HER OWN; STULTUS – FOOLISH**

B1: Distinguish in meaning between *plenus* and *parvus*.

Answer: **PLENUS – FULL; PARVUS – SMALL**

B2: Distinguish in meaning between the noun *ager* and the adjective *acer*.

Answer: **AGER – FIELD; ACER – SHARP**

TU7. The Lex Sacrata, the law which established the office of tribune, was established after which event in 494/493 BC in which the plebeian class fled Rome to the Mons Sacer?

Answer: **FIRST SECESSION OF THE PLEBEIANS**

B1. What law allowed patricians and plebeians to intermarry?

Answer: **LEX CANULEIA**

B2. What law limited the ability for females to display wealth?

Answer: **LEX OPPIA**

TU8. For the verb *gero*, give the 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular present passive indicative.

Answer: **GERITUR**

B1: Change *geritur* to the future tense.

Answer: **GERETUR**

B2: Change *geretur* to the first person plural.

Answer: **GEREMUR**

TU9. What goddess of the underworld was worshipped at crossroads and is often associated with Artemis?

Answer: **HECATE**

B1: Hecate was the patron goddess of what Colchian witch who killed her brother, poisoned a bride, and promised to make a king young again?

Answer: **MEDEA**

B2: What Greek prince did Medea aid with her witchcraft?

Answer: **JASON**

TU10. Give the Latin preposition meaning “before.”

Answer: **ANTE**

B1: Give the Latin preposition meaning “around.”

Answer: **CIRCUM**

B2: Give the Latin preposition meaning “against.”

Answer: **CONTRA**



TU11. For the sentence, “*Domini equīs multam aquam dederant,*” give the case and use of *equīs*.

Answer: **DATIVE OF INDIRECT OBJECT**

B1: For the sentence, “*Pueri puellaeque magnā cum celeritate per silvam currebant,*” give the case and use of *celeritate*.

Answer: **ABLATIVE OF MANNER**

B2: Translate the sentence “*Pueri puellaeque magnā cum celeritate per silvam currebant.*”

Answer: THE BOYS AND GIRLS RAN THROUGH THE FOREST WITH GREAT SPEED

TU12. What hero made a rash promise to a king that he would kill a monster, was helped in his quest by two gods, Hermes and Athena, and saved an Ethiopian princess from a sea monster?

Answer: **PERSEUS**

B1: What monster did Perseus promise Polydectes that he would kill?

Answer: **MEDUSA** (prompt on Gorgon)

B2: The princess Perseus rescued from the sea monster was Andromeda. What woman, Andromeda’s mother, offended the gods which resulted in Andromeda’s sacrifice?

Answer: **CASSIOPEIA**

TU13. What University has the exact same Latin motto as the state it is in?

Answer: **MISSISSIPPI (VIRTUTE ET ARMIS)**

B1: What state’s Latin motto is a longer version of its state university’s motto?

Answer: **MISSOURI**

B2: What is the Latin motto of the state of Missouri?

Answer: **SALUS POPULI SUPREMA LEX ESTO**

TU14. At what battle in 105 BC, the worst Roman defeat since the Battle of Cannae in 216 BC, did a joint force of Cimbri and Teutones defeat the Romans along the banks of the Rhône?

Answer: **ARAUSIO (ORANGE)**

B1. What man avenged these losses by crushing the Teutones in 102 BC at Aquae Sextiae and the Cimbri in 101 BC at Vercellae?

Answer: **MARIUS**

B2. How many consulships did Marius hold over the course of his life?

Answer: **7**

TU15: When recognized by the spotter, perform the following command: *stū et dīc mihi nomen scholae.*

Answer: STUDENTS STANDS AND SAYS THE NAME OF THEIR SCHOOL

B1: ...*Omnēs plaudite.*

Answer: ALL STUDENTS CLAP

B2: ...*Tangite tuōs pedēs.*

Answer: MORE THAN ONE STUDENT TOUCHES THEIR FEET